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Robert Gibbons, Barbara Vedder Vie for City Council Seat

Each candidate for the 2nd aldermanic district was recently asked to write about his/her candidacy. No questions were asked but rather Robert and Barbara were given up to 1200 words to write about their background and the issues that concerned them. Here are the unedited responses: P.S. The election is April 6.

Robert Gibbons

Hello, my name is Robert Gibbons and I'm running to represent my neighbors in the 2nd District on the Madison City Council. Let me briefly tell you about my background and experience:

*** Education**

- Bachelor of Science
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- Master of Science
- Student Personnel Administration
- Indiana State University

*** Founder and President (1993-1998)**

Emerson East Neighborhood
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Barbara Vedder

It's been a great honor to serve you, the residents of the heart of the North Isthmus, for the past four years. I've enjoyed the privilege of working with many people from such a diverse, progressive and active district. I'm looking forward to another two exciting, challenging and productive years. I also welcome entering into a campaign race once again. This is truly democracy at work to bring about a more open discussion of neighborhood and city-wide issues.

We've accomplished a great deal in the past four years and Tenney-Lapham has led the city in many arenas. The
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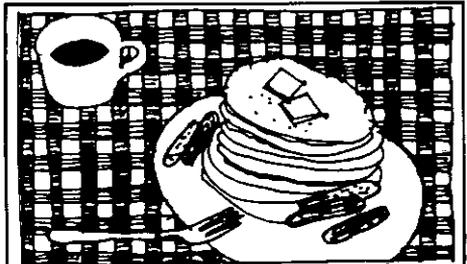
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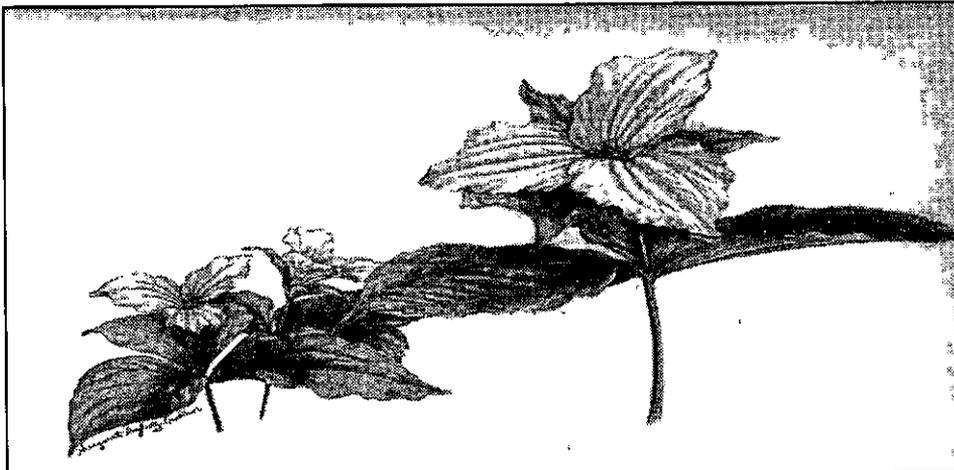
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Reynolds Community Garden Will Bloom This Year

Thanks to the hard work of many of Madison's citizens, there will be a new community garden on Madison's Isthmus in 1999. Particularly active in the effort for this garden space were near east side alder Barb Vedder and the Madison Community Gardeners Coalition (MCGC), a coalition of local gardening advocates committed to preserving existing community gardens and creating new community gardens where none exist, such as in Madison's downtown Isthmus neighborhoods.

The new garden is the Reynolds Homestead Community Garden on the 600 block of East Mifflin Street in the Old Market Neighborhood. The space is approximately 4,000 square feet and is part of a much larger parcel of land formerly belonging to the Reynolds Storage and Transfer Company. Currently, this land would not be mistaken

for a garden. It is a small lot that at one time had a home standing on it, but more recently was a storage lot for heavy machinery. The earth is a crushed limestone bed, underlain by bricks and fill material. The flora consists of box elder trees and a panoply of Wisconsin roadside weeds, from leafy spurge to knotweed to creeping charlie. This lot is definitely begging for a garden to be planted. Much work is needed to create this garden, but the Reynolds Homestead Community Garden Working Group is striving to make this garden a reality.

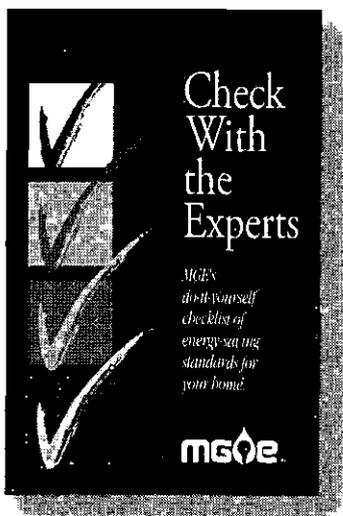
The Working Group consists of residents in The Capitol, Old Market, and Tenney-Lapham Neighborhoods who want to create a garden community. This group has been working with the CAC Garden Program this winter with the goal of gardening this season. The work in January and February consisted of re-

cruiting neighborhood residents, becoming familiar with the site dimensions and limitations, and developing a sense of group cohesiveness and values and an ethic of neighborhood responsibility. Many residents have showed interest in creating and gardening in this new community garden. The work now consists of making decisions about how the garden will be constructed, from how many plots there will be to removing the old soil and replacing it with new. Come spring, it will be time to get outside and make the garden a reality!

If you live near this garden site and would like to be involved in creating a community garden in your neighborhood, please call Andrea at 256-3433 or David at 246-4730 ext. 218.

-David M. Long

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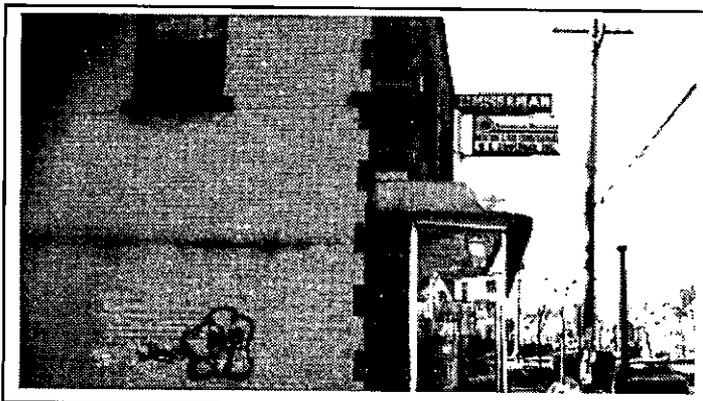


Is It Art or Is It Just Plain Vandalism?

Ok, let's talk. I want to know, am I missing something? Am I not seeing something out there that has some real value here? Tell me I'm just not seeing all of it!

No wait, tell me I **JUST DON'T** get it!

Hey look, I've been trying real hard to see everything positive about all of that spray painting, all those marker scribbles **BUT** I just seem to be missing it. Am I missing the art? No wait! I must be missing the psychological connections to all of it. Or **MAYBE**, I seem to be unable to make the connections to what I'm seeing and what's really going on out there!

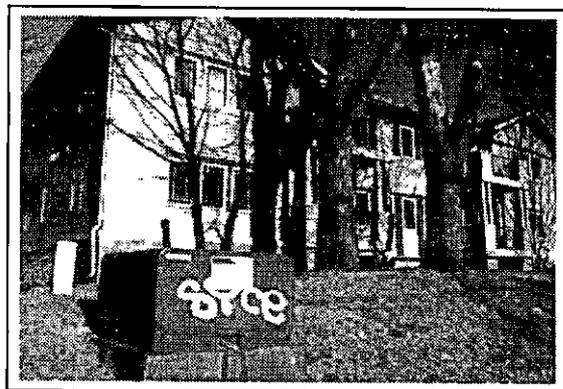


have to or need to mark up **OUR** neighborhood with their "tags" or graffiti, but I am sure that I speak for many others when I say, **STOP! STOP VIOLATING US!** Stop thinking that it's okay to use your spray cans or your markers to leave your mark on us!

Hey look! Just ask my friends and they'll be the first to tell you that I'm no great fan of the capitalist system. They'll tell you that I don't have any love for all of those "land kings", as I call them, who own all those large chunks of real estate out there. I admit, I have a real problem with the material wealth that some people have when others have next to nothing. **BUT**, I have a

MUCH BIGGER problem with those people who don't have enough respect for themselves that they take things out on others, including us.

Here's a message to all of you "taggers" or "frustrated budding artists"



I don't know what I'm not getting about all the recent occurrences of graffiti **BUT**, no matter how I look at it, it still looks to me like vandalism to me. It still looks to me like somebody out there doesn't care about our neighborhood. It still looks to me like some people just don't respect others who live and work in our neighborhood. It looks to me like somebody just doesn't think enough about **ALL OF US** to respect what we've been doing in this neighborhood to make it a great place to live and work.

I'm not sure what it is that makes people feel like they



out there: If you **NEED** to have some notoriety, how about taking that same chunk of creative energy and use it toward something that will benefit **BOTH** of us. How about using some of those artistic talents to help our neighborhood: help "spruce up" the home of one of our elderly or low income residents who are unable to but would dearly love it or maybe offer to create an attractive mural for a dreary wall of some building in our neighborhood.

Ya know, the more I think about it, the more I have to just come out and say in closing: **I DARE YA! I DARE YOU** to take that disrespectful behavior and make something **GREAT** out of it. **I DON'T THINK YOU CAN DO IT!** But, you know what, I'd love to have **ALL** of you prove me wrong!

I'm waitin'.

-David Mandehr

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Badger Cab is Movin' On

Badger Cab, a long time resident of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood, will soon be moving most of its operations to the Marquette Neighborhood. Tom Melms, Badger Cab's owner, reported that the company was planning to move its business operations from its present location at the corner of North Few Street and Curtis Court to a group of existing structures at the corner of South Ingersoll and East Main Streets with the move tentatively completed by the end of March.

Mr. Melms stated that the move was a consolidation move, one intended to address their space needs since they were "all packed up" at their present facility and the move would put all their

administrative operations in one building. He also said that since they were unable to find additional space at their present location, it made sense to look at the new site when it became available because their propane fueling facility was adjacent to the building they were considering.

In the discussion about their move, Mr. Melms confirmed that the cab company's storage lot on East Washington Avenue would be taken over by The Avenue Bar to address their parking needs but he said that the maintenance operations would continue at the current garage building.

-David Mandehr



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"Oh let us talk TO many things / TO cabbages and kings"

Had anyone tried to tell me when I was struggling through Kierkegaard in college that I would eventually talk to towels, I would have. . .well, I would have. . .never mind, nobody could tell me anything in college. But there I was on a sunny unseasonably mild (who knows what "seasonable" is these days) Sunday February afternoon on tiptoe atop the commode, warning my towel tower that to topple now would be a BIG mistake and they had better think twice. (If a towel could think, what might it think about - late-night trysts with lint? Now there's a problem Soren never took up.)

I had attended the Chenilles concert with a bunch of loose women-er, loosely-connected-no, loosely-affiliated -crones-(are mature women who enjoy frozen dairy treats ice cream crones?) the Friday night previous and was still humming a little ditty, written by Peter and Lou Berryman, which features the refrain "Why am I painting the living room?" (There is a blue-grass band/somewhere along the bay/ It is a summer's day/ WHY AM I PAINTING THE LIVING ROOM?) So my mood was already a little surly. But I actually had to paint my bathroom. And the towels actually stayed where they were after I spoke sternly to them, and if I wasn't painting the bathroom, I would have just been doing something else creative, like turning socks together or sorting ancient bottles of both pre-scription and over-the-counter nostrums from smaller into bigger heaps so that I could slide bigger heaps into my Treasure Trove of Half-Used Medicines drawer. And while we're at it, WHY DO I ALWAYS TAKE AND NEVER USE HOTEL/MOTEL CREAM RINSE? Perhaps I should address the question directly to the two million bottles. But what's my choice? As long as there are girls'with tangled, unmanageable hair anywhere in the world, it would be a sin to throw perfectly good cream rinse away, wouldn't it? And yet if I lined

them up outside on my bottom step right next to the sidewalk on Gorham Street and marked them FREE! TAKE TWO! I don't think anybody would take them, really. Would you? (I guess I had better not try it with the medicines, huh?)

I'll bet television is to blame for making me talk to inanimate things. Ads have featured women conversing with appliances for years. And who can forget the tiny-men-in-the-toilet ad? Wouldn't that put the fear of Lilith in a person? Look down and see three men floating a boat down there? No thank you. The last thing most people would do would be attempt to engage these succubae in chitchat. It would be like trying to talk to the Kirby. Trust me, Kirbys have less interesting ideas than hot rollers even. To the complete chagrin of Alex (you frequent readers remember Alex the Long-Suffering Son) I, of course, have a history of talking to traffic lights in the toughest possible terms-"JUST YOU TRY TO TURN YELLOW AND YOU'LL GET A PIECE OF MY MIND." Alex has now developed the ability to retract his head completely inside his coat collar-an atavism that will serve him well in his dating years I'm sure.

These particular women with whom I attended the Chenilles, a rag-tag group of 18-20 (the number varies because one of our very few rules is that anybody can leak out of any activity without fear of reprisal or even shaming) are seasoned moms and aunts and sisters who call ourselves either OWOW (for "Older Women on Wheels") or OBOB ("Older Babes on Bikes," which is my preference.) We take these long arduous bike trips, see. Well, okay, we took one long-ish bike trip last summer-but it was ARDUOUS enough to have been several trips, believe me. It involved inland tornadoes and Wildcat Mountain and bowling balls and Korbel-the less said about that trip the better. Suffice to say, everybody was babbling to trees before that long strange trip was over. But for

most of us softy types, it's still early-ish for bike riding, so we have begun to branch out and go to other activities together as well-enjoying each others' churlish company for some reason. (Wait a minute, I lost my train of thought somewhere half-way through that last rambling paragraph...oh yeah, women who talk to things other than people.) Maybe the habit comes from being too much in the company of babies-whose only response to a philosophical question-"Now where did I put the DUZ. Am I going to find it in the refrigerator again?"-is a goofy line of drool which starts at the lip and drizzles all the way to the floor. "Now, Pooper Pants, is to be to do, as Hegel holds, or is to do to be, as Heidegger posits?" But Heidegger sounds too much like "Hide and Seek" and "all that doo be doo" would cause anybody to chuckle, so most deep inquiries with babies descend into games of tag.

This is getting me nowhere, just like philosophy, and the clothes are whispering "Wash me, wash me" and I'm going "shut up, will ya? I just washed you a month ago and look at you now."

-Norma Gay Prewett

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Lapham Garden Receives National Award

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"National Gardening is proud to support this terrific children's gardening program," says David Young, Director of the Youth Garden Grants Program. "The competition was fierce and they were selected based on their vision for children and their commitment to their community. Involving children in gardening is hard work, requiring tremendous organization and strong community support, which were clearly demonstrated here." There were 300 winners from 46 states chosen this year.

The Lapham garden received additional community support with a \$600 grant from the Madison Area Master

Gardener Association and \$100 from the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association. The Madison Area Master Gardeners will include the Lapham garden in an August garden tour of area youth gardens.

As warm weather approaches plans are being finalized for the Lapham garden's first growing season. In upcoming weeks, several construction projects will be undertaken, including a tool shed, compost bins and a wheelchair accessible raised bed. When the soil has thawed, compost will be tilled into the soil and the garden beds prepared for planting. A spring celebration at Lapham will mark the official beginning of the garden's first growing season.

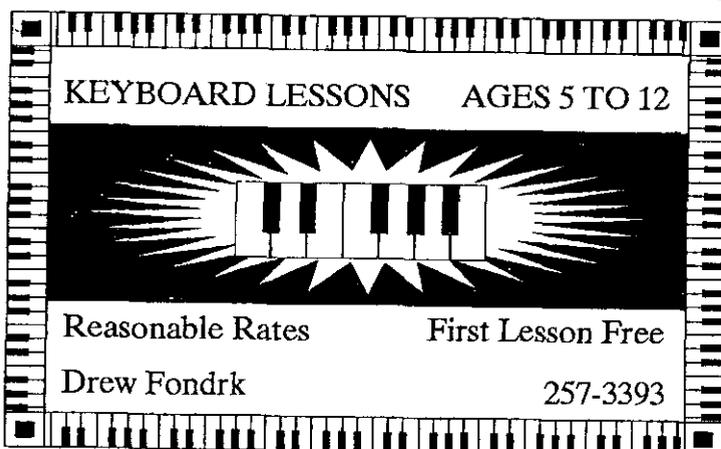
In June and July, Lapham school and the University of Wisconsin will offer a gardening camp for Lapham students entering 1st-3rd grade in the fall. The program will explore the science of gardening and food production. Children enrolled in the camp will gather at the gar-

den site twice weekly for four weeks. Activities will include science experiments, crafts, garden journal writing and field trips in addition to daily gardening tasks. Garden camp participants will maintain garden plots established by Lapham students during the school year.

Additional plots will be available to interested neighbors who are willing to help maintain school plots as well as their own.

With all the preparations and activities ahead, there are many volunteer opportunities available for interested neighbors. If you are interested in becoming involved in any aspect of the garden, now is the time to act. Please contact Ken Swift (home-251-4738, work-266-6450) or Margie Dougherty-Goodburn (256-0238).

-Margie Dougherty-Goodburn



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Representatives have been appointed to committees. I will be serving on: Consumer Affairs, Corrections and the Courts, Education, and Labor and Employment. Having served all of three weeks so far in the legislature, there is really not much to report to you about specific legislation affecting us. I do anticipate several key issues to be raised during this session.

Tax Fairness: Our burden is too high. And we must provide tax relief that is fair and won't "break the bank" By focusing on property tax relief, we can make sure that the relief goes to the people who need it most: working families.

Education: There is a lot of talk about quality education but little action.

Reducing class size is a priority because it gets results. A modest investment now in expansion of the successful Student Achievement Guarantee in Education (SAGE) Program will go a long way in the future.

Health Care: We must take action this year to level the playing field between patients and HMO's. We can do this by creating a route for an independent appeals of HMO treatment decisions and opening the State insurance pool to small businesses.

Protecting Individual Privacy: 'Identity Theft' is the new crime of the information Age, and not enough is being done to stop it. The Democrats are introducing sensible legislation that would require those who deal with sensitive personal information to shred it before they throw it away. It also restricts what information can be shared between corporations such as insurance companies and department stores.

Wisconsin Income Equity Act: I have drafted legislation that addresses the issue of income fairness. Under current law, compensation paid to a company's officers and employees can

be deducted from its income tax. A corporation may take up to a \$1,000,000 deduction for compensation paid to executive officers and this is where WIEA comes in. It recognizes that people on the factory floor are as important to the company as those who work in the corporate suite. WIEA changes the \$1 million CEO deduction cap to 25 times the company's lowest paid full-time employee. So, if the lowest paid employee makes \$20,000, the corporation would be able to deduct \$500,000 of CEO income. Increases in corporate deductions are now tied to increases in the wage scale. Senator Fred Risser is the lead Senate sponsor of this Bill.

I invite each of you to contact my office with any questions or concerns that you may have on these or any other issues of interest. I can be reached at 266-8570 or e-mail at mark.pocan@legis.state.wi.us or address your mail to Rep. Mark Pocan, State Capital #418 N., PO Box 8953, Madison, WI 53708

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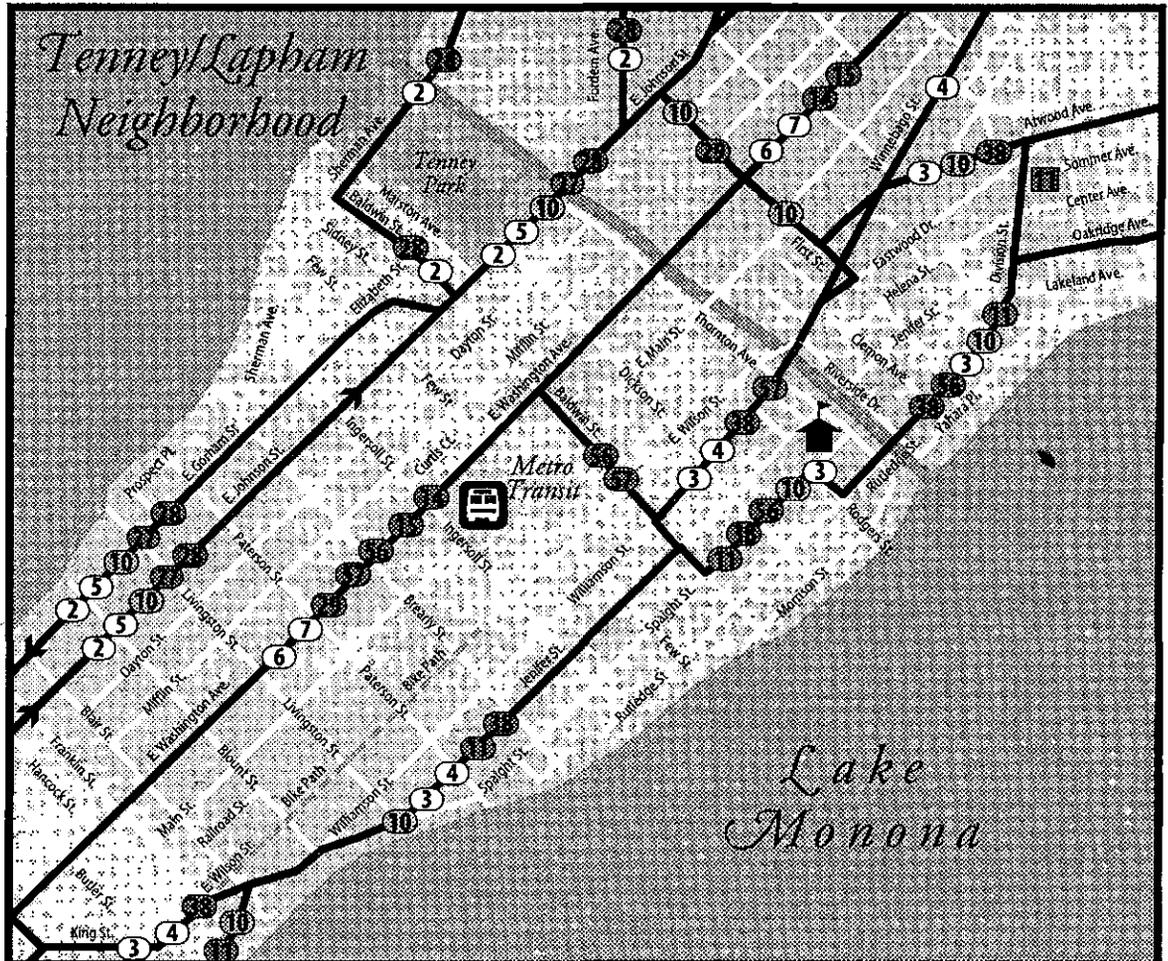
Route 28 offers direct express morning and evening service to and from the UW Hospital. **Route 28** travels every

15 minutes from the North Transfer Point down W. Gorham St., with a total trip time to the UW Hospital of *15-20 minutes*.

Residents traveling away from home for the holidays may catch **Route 2** (or any route to the North Transfer Point) where connecting **Route 16** offers weekday half-hour service to the Dane County Regional Airport.

When not at work or school, residents may also enjoy easy travel to shopping centers, restaurants, and entertainment. After taking **Route 2** (or any route to the North Transfer Point), **Metro Route 20** offers hourly service to **Copps and Shopko**. At the North Transfer Point, **Route 2** becomes **Route 20**, so Tenney/Lapham shoppers *need not transfer*.

If grocery shopping is on your list, **Route 5** offers quick, *5-10 minute service* to the East Transfer Point, just a short walk from



Woodman's East. **Route 5** also offers options for travel further east. **Route 5** travels *every half hour* through Tenney/Lapham to meet connecting **Route 6** at the East Transfer Point. At the East Transfer Point, **Route 6** offers *half hour service* to the East Towne Mall area.

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Marlon's Master Barbershop Opens

Marlon Spears, Master barber/stylist, has recently started business on East Johnson Street next door to the Caribou Bar. Marlon's Master Barbershop, as the business is known, has been cutting and styling hair since December.

In response to the question about how he happened to choose his present location at 705 E. Johnson Street, Mr. Spears chuckled and said, "That's kind of funny. I was next door at the Caribou Bar one night having a beer and I starting asking about any available space in the neighborhood that they knew about. And, this place was open."

In a conversation with Mr. Spears, he stated that while his business may be new, he's been cutting hair for more than 12 years. Asked about the types of services he provides and the hair types his

shop will cut or style, he said, "We'll cut and style all kinds of hair but we really focus on the African-American short hair styles. There's a real need for those types of services." He added that his shop has two chairs and two barber/stylists to service the needs of his customers. "We might be small, but the word is getting out and our business is building," he said with a smile.

Mr. Spears said that Marlon's Master Barbershop is open for business Tuesdays, 9-5; Wednesdays, 11-6; Thursdays and Fridays, 9-6; and Saturdays, 9-4. "Walk-ins are welcome. But, we can give you better service if you call for an appointment," he said. Marlon's Master Barbershop phone number is 287-1654.

-David Mandehr

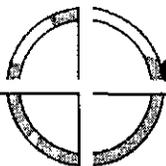
The Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association Council meets in the community room of the Tenney Park Apartments, 302 N. Baldwin Street on the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The next meetings are on March 18 and April 15. You are welcome to attend. For further information contact Tim Olsen at 255-9358.

Final Zoning Report Now on the Web

The final report of the R2 Zoning Code Advisory Committee can be found on the city of Madison web site (www.ci.madison.wi.us/). Just go to the the home page and click on "projects and reports." The report covers all the suggested changes in the zoning ordinances and details the issues considered by the committee in coming up with their recommendations.

The report has been referred by the city council to several standing committees, standard procedure for any proposed ordinance changes. By the time this newsletter is published it should have been reviewed by the Urban Design Commission, the Zoning Board of Appeals, and the Citizen's Advisory Commission on People with Disabilities. Hopefully none of these committees will have found anything major to disagree with and have passed it along for action by the council. On March 15th, the report will be discussed by the Plan Commission. They meet at 5:30 p.m. in room 201 of the City-County Building.

-Bob Kinderman



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Vote Yes for Parks!

On April 6, Dane County voters will have a chance to vote YES on an advisory referendum which will add to the existing County parks budget in order to purchase and protect more natural resource areas, parks and trails. The proposed New Conservation Fund would create a \$30 million, 10-year program to purchase land for county parks and open space, trails and wildlife areas. Up to 20% of the funds could be used as grants to Dane County cities, villages, towns and nonprofit conservation organizations to protect environmental resources. The New Conservation Fund would augment the existing county budget for parks, bringing the total available in the coming decade for land acquisition, park land management and grants to approximately \$40 million.

County Executive Kathleen Falk, who supports the referendum, has suggested that funding for the \$30 million would come from either a one-twelfth cent addition to the sales tax or by a bond issue which is estimated to cost the owner of a median valued (\$135,000) home between \$14-\$22 annually, or about \$1.16 - \$1.83 a month.

Support for the referendum is diverse and non-partisan: those urging a YES vote include the Madison Area Builders Association, the Dane County Natural Heritage Foundation, Realtors Association of South Central Wisconsin, Madison Audubon Society, the Ice Age Trails Group, the Ice Age Park & Trail

Foundation, Capital Community Citizens, Urban Open Space Foundation, Lake Waubesa Conservation Association, and Community Shares of Wisconsin, among others.

County Board Chair Kevin Kesterston of McFarland sponsored the County Board resolution calling for the referendum. He was joined by 24 other supervisors of all political stripes. A coalition of realtors, builders, conservationists and environmentalists have come together to actively campaign for a YES vote.

"This is an important opportunity to go to the polls and show our overwhelming support for one of the most important things we can do for the environment," said Marsha Cannon, president of the Madison Audubon Society." As we know, parks help protect the environment by preserving ecosystems which, in turn, improve everything from water quality to biodiversity. Adding to the County's financial resources in order to ensure we can purchase more park land and preserve more natural, open space is what this referendum is all about."

She added, "In 1935, Dane County acquired its first park—Stewart—and in the 64 years since then, we've built a wonderful system of places where families, sportsmen, naturalists, hikers, skiers and outdoorspeople can go to enjoy the beauty that is Dane County. The diversity of people who enjoy our parks,

the environmental and conservation benefits of natural areas and the economics of this plan—doing all this for under \$2 a month in terms of costs to taxpayers—are the features of this referendum that have earned it such widespread support. Put pretty simply, it's just good public policy."

"The need to, and rationale for, buying and protecting these areas is part of the Dane County Parks and Open Space 2000 Plan," noted Gary Werner, president of the Ice Age Trail Group and Chair of the Dane County Chapter of the Ice Age Park & Trail Foundation. "Looking ahead to make sure we leave this County as beautiful and as great a place to live for future generations is our responsibility. A strong YES vote on April 6 is critically important to send a powerful message that citizens throughout the County are willing to support good public policy that recognizes the importance of preserving our natural resources."

For more information on how to get involved in supporting the referendum, please call campaign coordinator Margaret McEntire at 249-0062. Contributions to the effort to pass the referendum can be mailed to: Citizens for the Conservation Fund, P.O. Box 3434, Madison, WI 53704-0434.

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Their vision quickly expanded from a desire to make their home a safer place for their family to wanting the entire planet to be a safer environment for future generations! They became independent Shaklee distributors and started a home-based business called Household Health Associates. The Buffat's mission is to make a difference one household at a time by providing environmentally responsible alternatives to everyday products for the home and person. Their business encourages low impact and responsible consumption.

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Saturday, March 13 at 7 p.m.

Friday, March 19 at 10 a.m.

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Wednesday, March 24 at 7 p.m.

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Midwest Regional Rail System Proposed

A Madison destination is now part of the collective vision and initiative of nine Midwestern states, AMTRAK, and the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). Their study proposes modern, swift rail travel between major metropolitan areas – a Midwest Regional Rail System (MWRRS).

Why a Midwest Regional Passenger Rail System...and why now?

* AMTRAK and the FRA have designated this nine state region as one of five for higher speed rail corridors.

* AMTRAK is advancing \$25 million to help start this region's collaborative plan, with \$2 million of that allocated for preliminary engineering of the Milwaukee-Madison route.

* Through cooperative effort, planners can design efficient projects, using large scale, discount purchasing.

* Modern, high frequency service can move eight million people annually through this area, helping to relieve airport and highway overload, lessening congestion and emission pollution.

What will be different from existing rail services?

* More Connections:
* 80% of the region's population within a one-hour drive of a MWRRS station or a feeder bus connection that will be integral to the system.

* 3000 track miles to handle 15 million train miles annually.

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What Capital Investment Will Be Required?

* Infrastructure - \$3 billion

* Train Sets - \$470 million

* Infrastructure Upgrades of about \$1 million per mile (compared with \$5 to \$10 million per mile for rural interstate and \$10 to \$20 million per urban ex-

pressway)

What Are the Economic Benefits?

* 1500 new permanent rail jobs and 4000 construction jobs

* Commercial revitalization and re-development around stations

* Manufacturing, services, tourism, conventions.

How and When Will This Happen?

* The study commissioned by transportation departments of the nine states, AMTRAK, and the FRA, describes a six phase development period that places the Madison connection to the Chicago hub in Phase One, along with St. Louis and Detroit. Full system operation is projected incrementally over nine years, with the first phase beginning operation in 2003, following a three year design, engineering and development period.

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Tenney-Lapham area became the second location in the city to utilize a curbside street-sweeping program, due to interest from the neighborhood association, and particularly Richard Linster, with my support. Chronic flooding problems brought to my attention by many residents resulted in the replacement of sewer pipes under North Few and Elizabeth Streets. The next phase is replacement of sewer pipes below North Baldwin Street, North Thornton Avenue and Burr Jones Field scheduled for this year. This work actually led to a citywide policy of replacing sanitary sewer pipes in addition to storm water pipes when reconstruction of older streets occurs. For snow removal, I initiated the establishment of a city Pedestrian Priority Route system which requires the city to remove snow within 24 hours along routes designated as

heavily pedestrian-traveled or frequently used routes for people with mobility impairments. Building code enforcement has been a major concern of residents and the neighborhood association for many years and this past year I was successful in instituting an ongoing systematic inspection policy for both the Old Market Place and Tenney-Lapham neighborhoods.

Because of important concerns raised by the neighborhood campaign spearheaded by Kathi Bresnehan and Tim Olsen, "Drive 25, Keep Our Kids Alive," traffic issues along East Johnson and Gorham Streets were looked at seriously and we pushed together to change timing of stop lights and to implement the use of flashing red lights. Since then, traffic calming has become a major city issue and this spring a new Traffic Enforcement Unit will begin, with seven police officers working solely on speeding.

The second district continues to be one step ahead in the arts while discussions regarding the establishment of a downtown Cultural Arts District are beginning. The Esquire Theater is already open for community theater companies to perform right off the Capitol on East Mifflin Street. This collaborative effort was made possible with the backing of city staff, myself, and neighborhood residents Gretchen Wheat and Jake Jacobson.

The same type of dynamics emerged in determining the use for the vacated Reynolds property, with strong support from some residents for housing and from others for community gardens. The end result was a predominant use of the land for housing development and, at the same time, a separate parcel for community gardens. Neighborhood work on this issue led to the formation of a committee, of which I am a member, to consider three proposals for housing development. A second committee, of which I am also a member, is formulating a report and plan for community gardens citywide. Resident John Bell chairs this committee.

The Yahara Parkway Plan, initiated by my predecessor David Wallner and former alder Bert Zipperer, was recently officially adopted after three years of our committee's work. It encompasses a vision for the next one hundred years for the enhancement of the Yahara River Parkway. Completed aspects of the plan include the dead-ending of Thornton Avenue in Tenney Park, which splits into bike paths connected to both directions of East Johnson Street, as well as some landscaping in Tenney Park. Further implementation of the Plan is a tremendous undertaking, including pedestrian-bicycle underpasses for East Washington Avenue and East Johnson Street, expanded parkland along the river, development of the former WPS site, improved development along Thornton Avenue with housing possibilities and much more. Many thanks to neighborhood residents Ed Jepsen, with his continuing strong involvement, and Alison

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Mader for their work on the committee.

In addition to the ongoing projects I've already outlined, in the next two years I'll be continuing work on transportation issues, including the reconstruction of East Washington Avenue. I added TLNA member Mark Fraire to those on the Strategic Advisory Committee since the Tenney-Lapham area was not included in the initial make-up of neighborhood and business representatives. The anticipated work is an enormous challenge with construction occurring in several phases over four years' time from Blair Street to Thierer Road, beginning in 2001 with the reconstruction of the Yahara bridge. Alternatives for pedestrian/bicycle issues, aesthetics, lane closings and more are now being discussed. The burden this construction will put on adjoining streets, especially E. Johnson and E. Gorham streets, is one which must be investigated and monitored carefully. Also, traffic calming measures need to be continued in conjunction with traffic safety education and incentives for alternative forms of transportation, including expanded bus transit and rail possibilities, to ease the congestion of our growing city.

In addition to building code enforcement, I'll be working on ways to address the affordable housing crisis in the city. Besides pushing forward the two EOC ordinances I've been spearheading, I'm ready to work on some initiatives presented by the Affordable Housing Action Alliance as well as others from the Housing Summit. Providing more af-

fordable housing options and increasing choices in accessing existing affordable housing will be one of my top priorities. I'll continue to work on fair housing practices as well as the facilitation of first time home-ownership.

It's great to connect with so many residents who have taken active roles in such diverse areas of interest. Parks will continue to be a priority, with the Yahara Parkway, community gardens and other opportunities for expanded greenspace, not to mention the upkeep of neighborhood parks with an emphasis currently on Demetral Field. Following police concerns and strong residents' support, I sponsored a limited alcohol ban in Tenney Park and initiated two study groups led by the County Executive's office to explore alternative ways of dealing with public chronic alcoholism. The R2 Zoning Committee, initiated by Bob Kinderman and other hard-working community members, including Gigi Holland and Diane Milligan, has finished the report that is now progressing through various committees.

In other city-wide issues, I'm continuing my work begun on the Living Wage Task Force, on another initiative presently in committee, the Living Wage ordinance. Finally, civil rights and social justice issues will also continue to be a priority. I'm proud to have served four years on the Equal Opportunities Commission, tackling the often-times difficult issues which discrimination embodies. Paul Fieber, a neighborhood

resident, has been a great long-standing asset to the commission.

I'm excited about the next two years in continuing and expanding on this grassroots-up rather than top-down leadership approach with these and many more issues. Government must not only be open and responsive but must also include the entire community in direct participation. I have a ten-minute campaign video available for anyone to view (call me), visit my website at <http://move.to/votevedder> and, as always, you can personally contact me at 249-8428. You're welcome to attend a unique cultural campaign event at the Esquire Theater on March 24th. And most importantly of all, don't forget to vote April 6!

-Barbara Vedder



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I feel that my background has given me the experience I need to be the type of representative that the 2nd District should demand – a representative who will be effective and represent the issues of their constituents over the issues of a small group of ideologues.

It is time the neighborhoods of the 2nd District (Tenney-Lapham, Emerson East, and Old Market Place) have a representative who understands their concerns and works with the neighborhood associations to have these issues ad-

ressed by City Hall.

For Madison to continue to be a great place to live, we must have strong neighborhoods. As the “second” founder and President for four years of the Emerson East Neighborhood Association I know from experience the positive impact neighborhood associations have on the quality of life. I believe that neighborhoods should be empowered to affect changes and address issues within their boundaries. The 2nd District needs an effective leader who will represent the interest of the constituents of the neighborhood associations, not ignore them.

Over the last four years the 2nd District neighborhood associations have worked with City Planning and Development to create neighborhood plans. I am committed to working with the leadership of the neighborhood associations and all branches of city government to see that the various aspects of these plans are implemented as quickly as financially feasible.

As your voice in City Hall I will:

- * Encourage neighborhood involvement**
- * Work with the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association**
- * Promote the implementation of the Tenney-Lapham—Old Market Place Neighborhood Plan**
- * Work to improve traffic and pedestrian safety**

- * Maintain quality and affordable housing**
- * Protect the character of our neighborhoods**
- * Assure resident input in the East Washington Avenue Corridor project**
- * Implement an open line of communication between neighbors, neighborhood associations and city government**

I am anxious to talk with my neighbors about how working in coalition we will be able to address these and other issues that might arise. My first priority will be to immediately respond to neighbors and neighborhood concerns!

I look forward to the opportunity to meet and talk with my neighbors of the 2nd District!

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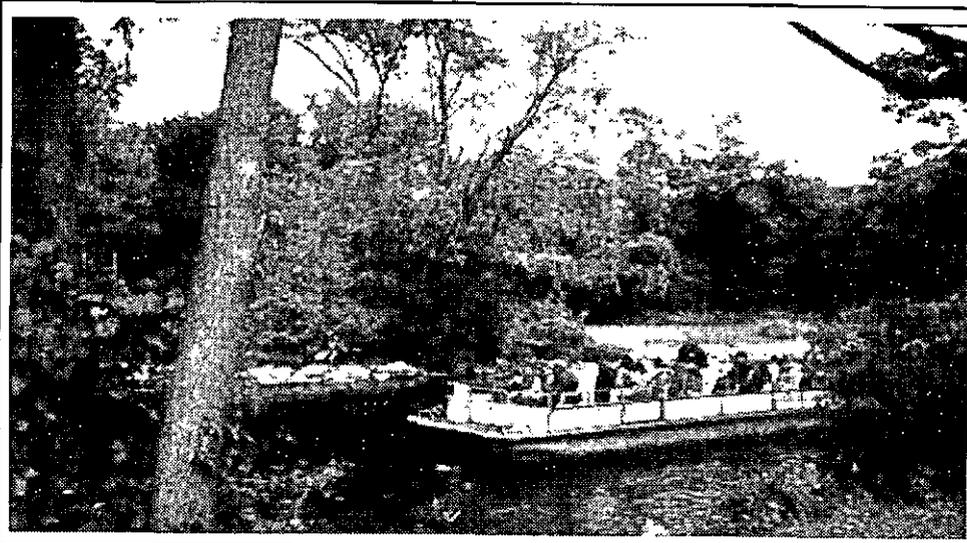
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Volunteers Needed for Tenney Park Restoration

One hundred years ago, the Madison Parks and Pleasure Drive Association and O.C. Simonds, landscape architect, created the vision for Tenney Park and the Yahara River Parkway. Today, the Urban Open Space Foundation (UOSF), a nonprofit land



trust, is working with Madison Parks Division and a citizen working group to restore this landscape heritage. The citizen working group includes voices for fishing, canoeing and kayaking, wildlife habitat, plant ecology, landscape architecture, bicycling, environmental education, water quality, and especially, for

nature's value in our life and the life of our community.

Why are restoration and management of these natural landscapes needed? In Tenney Park and the Yahara River Parkway, O.C. Simonds created landscapes where natural processes, rather than appearing controlled, seem

free from human influence. He succeeded so well that park users may believe that natural processes are managing the parks making human input unnecessary. Yet, to leave the landscape without restoration and stewardship means that the inevitable wear on the Parks' design and on the

health of its ecosystems intensifies and spreads, continually eroding its educational and recreational purposes

In June, 1998, with a grant from the Madison Community Foundation, UOSF, Madison Parks Division, the citizen working group and consulting plant ecologist and wetland hydrologist began putting pencils to paper to develop concept plans for a riverbank marsh along the Yahara River Parkway and a wildlife habitat enhancement planting. Both projects will be just west of the E. Johnson bridge. With the help of citizens of Madison, there will be a wetland area along the banks of the Yahara River this spring and an enriched wildlife corridor. We need volunteers for planting, monitoring and stewardship - individuals, families, clubs, groups, teachers and students.

The wildlife habitat planting will take place on Saturday, April 17 from 9-12 and 1-4 with Saturday, April 24 as the rain date. The riverbank marsh planting will be Saturday, May 1 from 9-1 with Saturday May 8 as the rain date.

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-Geri Weinstein

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Staff Members Praise School Addition

Six months into the 98-99 school year at Marquette Elementary and O'Keefe Middle Schools people at both are still speaking the praises of the remodeling work and new construction that took place during the summer. From Marty Powers, "It's met all of our expectations and more!" "We have real enhancement to our school," said Pat Delmore. Comments such as these came readily from members of both staffs.

In a conversation with Mr. Powers, he relayed that the new and remodeled spaces have been a "real boost to our morale. The space is lighter, brighter and more cheerful. It's more student and staff friendly." He stated that the space responds to the instructional requirements of the school. Eight classrooms with moveable partitions and shared common spaces provide for enhanced flexibility. He also said that the improved space results in less crowding in the hallways with no longer the "bottle-neck" that occurred at the old entryway.

O'Keefe's principal, Mr. Delmore,

reported similar impressions when he was contacted. He said that the school has seen a real benefit from the addition and remodeled space. "We've got more room, our science labs are much more functional with increased capability to conduct experiments and improved capacity and storage, we've got new windows that are more functional and aesthetic, and we don't need to have all our students share lockers." Eighth grade science teacher, Barb Kirby, stated that she loves the new spaces. "It is very important to have a central storage location such as we have now. And, our labs really facilitate lab work," she said.

It appears that the school/family community from both schools can pat themselves on the back and congratulate themselves for the rewards that came about from all the hard work that everyone put forth to achieve the end products that we call Marquette Elementary and O'Keefe Middle Schools.

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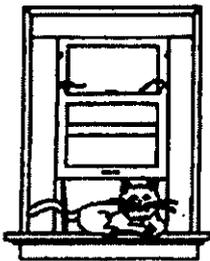
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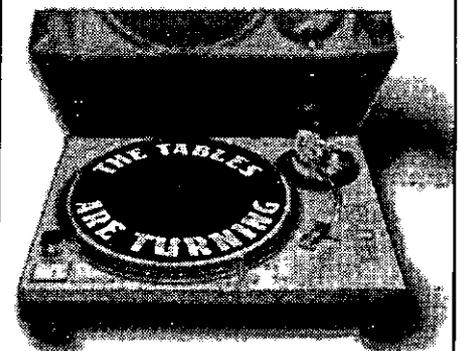


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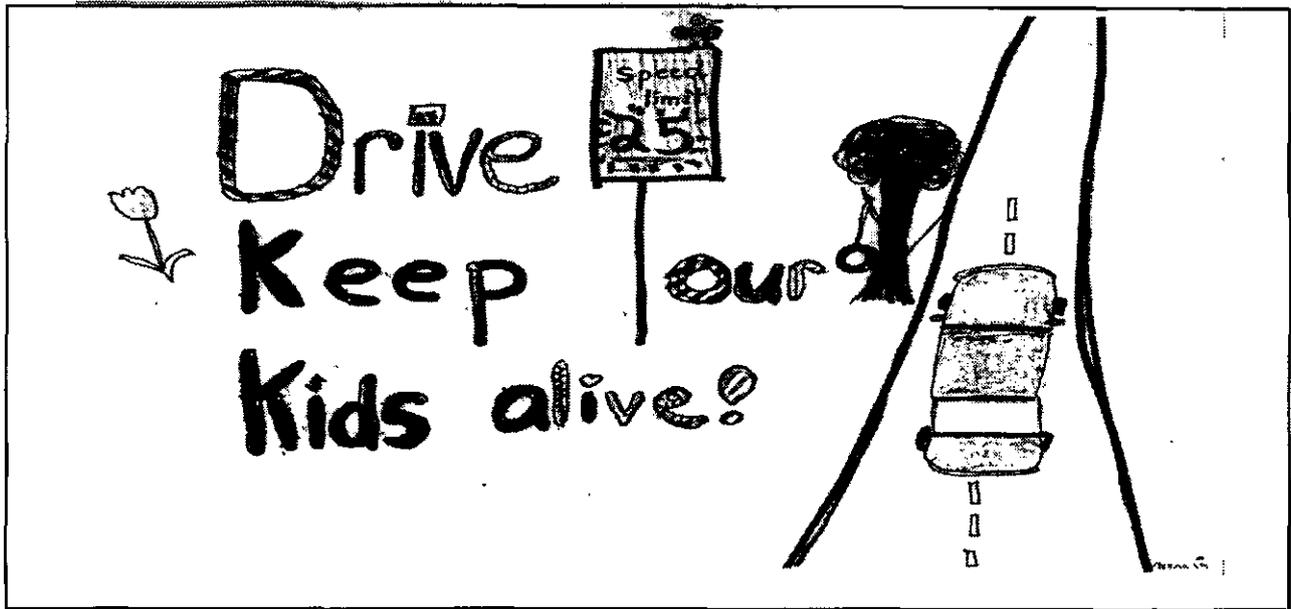


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